GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4241
ANSWERED ON:15.12.2000
DIVERSION OF PDS ITEMS
MAHESHWAR SINGH;SURESH CHANDEL

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether CBI has registered case against some private parties andState Government officials who were involved in diverting subsidized items in the open market;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of the commodities that were diverted in the open market?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. As reported by FCI, twenty three private persons, six State Government employees and five FCI employees have been involved in diverting subsidised items in the open market in the CBI report.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) As per the report of CBI, the officials for whom the prosecutionsanction has been sought, have been charged for their involvement in the alleged racket for diverting the following quantity of rice and wheat:

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Wheat    - 1430 bags = 1354.10 quintals
Rice      - 1600 bags = 1457.25 quintals
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